

**ORDINANCE NO. 32-14**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE REDISTRICTING IN COMPLIANCE WITH INDIANA CODE § 36-4-6-3, AND TO GIVE EFFECT TO WEST LAFAYETTE'S CHANGE FROM A THIRD CLASS CITY TO A SECOND CLASS CITY AS AUTHORIZED BY WEST LAFAYETTE ORDINANCE NO. 17-14 AND TO AMEND WEST LAFAYETTE ORDINANCE NO. 17-14 BY INSERTION**

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2014, the Common Council of the City of West Lafayette passed Ordinance No. 17-14, which authorized changing the City of West Lafayette from a third class city to a second class city;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 17-14, on January 1, 2016, the City Council of West Lafayette will increase from seven (7) members to nine (9) members, with six (6) members to be elected from districts, and three (3) members to be elected at large;

WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 36-4-6-3 requires the common council of a second class city to adopt an ordinance dividing the city into six (6) legislative districts which are composed of contiguous territory, are reasonably compact, do not cross precinct boundary lines subject to certain exceptions, contain as nearly as is possible, equal populations, and not cross a census block boundary line subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, the previously adopted Ordinance No. 17-14 requires that the City of West Lafayette take all other steps necessary to effectuate the change to a second class city; and

WHEREAS, in order to give it effect, it is necessary to amend Ordinance No. 17-14 by inserting the map and legal description of the six (6) new legislative districts of the City.

NOW THEREFORE be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of West Lafayette, Indiana that:

Section 1. The above recitals are incorporated herein by this reference as though fully set forth below.

Section 2. The City of West Lafayette Common Council does hereby establish that the City of West Lafayette, Indiana shall be divided into six (6) legislative districts as depicted and described on the attached exhibit, which shall amend Ordinance No. 17-14 by insertion thereof.

Section 3. Upon final passage, this Ordinance and all its attachments shall become attached and incorporated into Ordinance No. 17-14.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall not be construed as affecting the elected membership of the Common Council prior to its application in the election of 2015.

Section 5. Upon final passage, the City Clerk-Treasurer shall file a copy of this Ordinance with the Clerk of the circuit and superior courts of Tippecanoe County.

**Severability Clause:**

Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this ordinance be preempted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or preemption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

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Thank you.